

COUNTRY: East Germany REPORT

TOPIC: Drawitz Airfield

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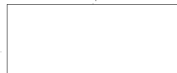
1. From 30 November through 6 December 1952, 7,650 tons of material was shipped by rail to Drewitz airfield. From 13 through 20 December, 13 trains loaded with 6,810 tons of construction material arrived at the installation.
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the runway had been completed by day and night shifts.
3. On 19 December, the runway at the field was completed. After this date, 25X1 work was started on a southern and northern taxiway which were probably to be 20 meters wide. The course of the taxiway could not be determined, because clearing work was still to be done. The humus layer on the northern taxiway had been removed, and work on the gravel layer of this taxiway was started in early January 1953. The maximum distance between this taxiway and the runway was estimated at 800 meters, while the maximum distance between the runway and the southern taxiway was about 1,000 meters. Only part of the humus layer of the southern taxiway had been removed. In early January, about 2,500 workers were employed on excavation work at the field. Work on the construction of buildings was being accelerated. None of the buildings was completed, but their walls had reached a height of up to 4 meters. All the buildings were south of the railroad lines. About 2,500 men were employed on the above ground construction work.
4. Three wells, each 60 meters deep, were under construction at the field. The foundation of the road between Jaenschwalde and the airfield was completed as far as the railroad overpass. [redacted] it was 25X1 still undecided whether the road was to be paved or concreted. Except for its northern side which was secured by a board fence, the installation was surrounded by a barbed wire fence about 2 meters high. The field was guarded by the VP. ¹
1. [redacted] Comment. The completion of the runway on Drewitz airfield on 21 December 1952 is confirmed. It is believed that construction work at the installation will continue quickly. The course of the two taxiways has not been determined. It was previously reported that their completion

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date was in July 1953. [REDACTED] It is believed that the buildings under construction at the field will be completed by the same date. The field may be serviceable in fall of 1953.

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